Recommendations of NPPA on drug price control

1349. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the recommendations of the National Pharmaceuticals Pricing Authority and the National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research, on the drug price control system; and

(b) whether these recommendations were thoroughly discussed, before taking a final decision thereon; if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SATYA BRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) and (b) The Government have recently announced "Pharmaceutical Policy—2002". During the process of formulating the Policy, the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals through the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA), with the help of National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER), has developed the desired database for the purpose of identifying the bulk drugs for price control.

Bannned alopathic medicines

†1350. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of alopathic medicines whose production and distribution has been banned during the last three years;

(b) the steps taken to ensure that these medicines are not sold at all; and

(c) the details regarding apprehension in selling of these medicines despite the ban?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SATYA BRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) The list of Alopathic medicine prohibited for manufacture and sale by the Government of India, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare through Gazette Notification in last three years is given in the Statement *(See* below*)*.

(b) State Licensing Authorities are advised immediately after the notification for banning of a particular drug through a Gazette notification, to take action to prohibit the manufacture and sale of the drug under their jurisidiction. The contents of the notification are also brought to the notice of

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.